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COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor David Dermer and
Members of the City Commission

Date: June 11, 2003

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez
City Manager

Subject: **REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 5, 2003**

A Meeting of the Community Affairs Committee was held on Thursday, June 5, 2003. Vice- Mayor Luis R. Garcia, Jr., called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m. Commissioners Saul Gross, Matti Herrera Bower and Richard Steinberg were in attendance. An attendance sheet for the meeting is attached hereto.

OLD BUSINESS

1. DISCUSSION REGARDING A MEMORIAL IN HONOR OF THE LATE JOSEPH NEVEL TO BE PLACED SOMEWHERE IN THE COLLINS PARK AREA.

ACTION: The Nevel Family requested for the fountain in Collins Park to be named as a memorial in honor of the late Joseph Nevel. The Committee voted unanimously to accept Commissioner Richard Steinberg's motion for the Nevel Family request to go to the City Commission for approval and, if approved, for the setting of a public hearing for the naming of the fountain in Collins Park.

NEW BUSINESS

2. DISCUSSION REGARDING ATLANTA'S ORDINANCE ADDRESSING OUTDOOR FESTIVALS.

ACTION: The ordinances and guidelines from other cities, including Atlanta, were briefly discussed. The Administration presented a series of proposed revisions to the City's existing guidelines, and requested the Committee's guidance and input, with particular emphasis on the process in which community input is obtained. Concern was expressed over the City's capacity, as to manpower, allocation of resources, parking, and traffic, of the City to hold an event(s). Vice-Mayor Luis R. Garcia, Jr., noted the policy used by the Fire Department in establishing manpower levels based on the attendance/occupancy of an event. The Administration will seek community input and bring a final proposed revised guideline to the Community Affairs Committee.

3. DISCUSSION REGARDING CLARIFICATION ON THE "TERM LIMIT" ISSUES AS IT APPLIED TO

SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

ACTION: The Committee members expressed their individual thoughts on implementing term limits to the appointments and the contributions of their participation to the program. A motion was made by Commissioner Richard Steinberg, seconded by Commissioner Gross, recommending to establish a 501 (c) 3 and sunset the existing Sister Cities Committee.

Raul Aguila, First Assistant City Attorney, stated that members currently do not have to be a Miami Beach resident or have interest/ownership in a business located on Miami Beach. However, the member must be a Miami-Dade County resident. Additionally, a member of this Committee can not serve on any other City of Miami Beach committee or board.

4. **DISCUSSION TO CONSIDER THE APPROPRIATE FORMS OF RECOGNITION FOR PERSONS/COMPANIES DONATING FUNDS TO THE NORTH BEACH YOUTH CENTER.**

ACTION: The Committee approved the concept of recognizing individuals donating to the North Beach Youth Center. Commissioner Saul Gross made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard Steinberg for the Administration and the North Beach Youth Center Oversight Board to develop a "named gift opportunity list." Once completed, the list is to be presented to the Community Affairs Committee. If recommended, the list will be forwarded to the City Commission for approval as required by Ordinance No. 99-3190.

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